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## BASIC APPRAISAL SELF-STUDY TRAINING SESSION

	REVIEW QUESTIONS
<u>Chapt</u>	<u>ser 1</u>
1.	Appraisal is the process of estimating the value of specific property at a stated time and place.
	True
	False
2.	Of the following, which is a prerequisite for goods to have value?
	Utility and scarcity
	☐ Capacity for private ownership
	☐ Demand or effective purchasing power
	All of the above
3.	Market value is the price (the amount of money) that a property will bring when it is sold in a market.
	☐ True
	False
4.	Supply and demand are the market effects of and

5.	From an equilibrium position, if market demand increases while market supply remains constant, prices tend to:			
	Increase			
	Decrease			
6.	In a market subject to the interaction of supply and demand, value is determined by the actions of buyers and sellers bidding, and seeking bids, in competition with each other. The market value concept presupposes that:			
	1			
	2			
7.	Use value is the value a has for			
8.	Expenditures for labor and materials are known as:			
	☐ Indirect costs			
	Development costs			
	☐ Direct costs			
	Historical costs			
9.	Which of the following is true regarding the concept of price?			
	Price is the expenditure required to produce property.			
	Price is a prospective concept.			
	Price is the amount actually paid for a property.			
	Price does not include direct and indirect costs.			
10.	Which of the following are <i>not</i> included in development cost?			
	☐ Direct costs			
	☐ Indirect costs			
	Cost of land and entrepreneurial profit			
	None of the above			

11.	Which of the following definitions for value is <i>not</i> true?
	☐ Value is the present worth of future benefits.
	Value is the monetary worth of a property, good, or service to buyers and sellers at a given time.
	☐ Value is the price that a property will bring when it is sold in a market.
	None of the above.
12.	List four of the additional types of value which the property appraiser may encounter in an evaluation of a property:
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13.	The words "full value," full cash value," "cash value," "actual value," and "fair marke value" mean the price at which a property, if exposed for sale in the open market with a reasonable time for the seller to find a purchaser, would transfer for cash or its equivalent under prevailing market conditions between parties who have knowledge of the uses to which the property may be put, both seeking to maximize their gains and neither being it a position to take advantage of the exigencies of the other.
	True
	False
14.	The proper unit to be valued is the unit that people in the market typically buy and sell.
	True
	False

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	principle of unit valuation is not based on the concept that the appraisal unit is unit most likely to be bought and sold in the market.
	True
	False
	fly explain when appraisers usually refer to the unit concept and when they principle of unit valuation.
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	What other requirement must be considered when establishing a property's stage of production?		
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b	uyers at a particular time. It may be a limited-market property because ofeatures or conditions.		
C	Give two examples of a limited-market property:		
	imited-market properties should be appraised at market value based on their current use r the most likely alternative use.		
	True		
	False		
L	imited-market properties do not require consideration of a wider geographic market.		
	True True		
	False		
d ir u	as part of the highest and best use determination, the appraiser should study economic at a relating to the business or industry of the owner and the utility of the property for its attended use. After studying these elements, if the appraiser determines that the current see of the property is not likely to continue, the property must be appraised based on which of the following use value?		
	Current use		
	Alternative use		

abse	ence of an "actual market"?
Cali	fornia law requires the property tax appraiser to appraise all property at
	perty must be appraised for assessment purposes at itsecognized in the market for such properties.
	en determining the highest and best use of the property and in estimating its market to potential purchasers, which of the following should the appraiser use?
	Method of valuation designed solely to capture the specific utility of a property to a particular owner.
	Consideration of location and other current characteristics of the property that would be recognized in the general marketplace.
	tricted value means a value standard other that full cash value prescribed by the stitution or by statute authorized by the Constitution.
	True
	False
A p	roperty subject to open-space restrictions is assessed at the lowest of:
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	973, which of the following were added to the list of lands subject to open-space
	riction agreements?
	Farmland
	Easements
	Wildlife habitats
	Timber

give non	inning with legislation adopted in 1974, special appraisal consideration must also be n to qualifying open-space easements granted to a city, county, specified district or profit organization, or regional park. List two properties that were authorized for cial appraisal consideration in 1994 and 1996, respectively.
1 2	
limi	ners of certain historical or architecturally significant properties may benefit from tations placed on the assessor's valuation. In order to qualify, a property needs to t some requirements. What are the requirements?
parc	olf course qualifies for special appraisal treatment if the real property consists of a el of or more and has been used exclusively for purposes for at least months before
the	ien date.
circ	cle XIII, section 11 of the California Constitution provides that, under certain amstances, land and improvements that are owned by local governments but are ted outside their boundaries are taxable.
	True
	False
Lan	ds in a Timberland Production Zone are subject to which of the following?
	5-year contractual restriction
	5-year contractual restriction  10-year contractual restriction

## **Chapter 3**

Property includes all matter and things, real, personal, and mixed capable of private ownership.
☐ True
☐ False
Which of the following properties are included in real property?
Office equipment
☐ Land and improvements
☐ Machinery
All of the above
List the fundamental rights associated with property ownership:  1
2
3
What are the two primary categories of property?  1
An important distinction in a free enterprise economy is made between and property.
Personal property is defined as all property that is not real property.
True
False

46.	Which of the following is not true about taxable property?
	All properties are taxable unless they are exempt by the Constitution.
	Only personal properties are taxable property.
	All properties are taxable and shall be assessed at the same percentage of fair market value.
	Both real property and personal property are taxable property.
47.	Which of the following are included in real estate or real property?
	☐ The possession of, claim to, ownership of, or right to the possession of land.
	All mines, minerals, and quarries in the land, and all rights and privileges appertaining thereto.
	Improvements
	All of the above
48.	For property tax purposes, <i>land</i> also includes such things as
49.	Special taxes may apply to land but not to improvements.
	True
	☐ False
50.	What do improvements include?
	1
51.	For property tax purposes, a fixture is classified as:
	Real property
	Personal property

52.	A fixture is an item of tangible property, classified asfor property tax purposes because it is
	purposes because it is or to realty with the that it remains
53.	The, the adaptability of the item to the for which the realty is used, and the with which the annexation is made are important elements in deciding whether an item has become a or remains
54.	Briefly describe the three tests applied in determination for a fixture to be classified as real or personal property.
	Test 1- Physical annexation test
	Test 2- Constructive annexation test
	Test 3- Intent of the owner in annexing the fixture
55.	Improvements placed on governmentally owned tax-exempt land for a private individual's use and purposes are taxable.
	True
	☐ False
56.	For property tax purposes, a taxable possessory interest is a right to possess or use publicly-owned real property.
	True
	☐ False

57.	Match the following by definition.				
	Enjoyment of a beneficial use of land or improvements, together with the ability to exclude from occupancy by means of legal process others who may interfere with that enjoyment.	1. Durable			
	Determinable period with a reasonable certainty that the use, possession, or claim with respect to the property or improvements will continue for that period.	2. Independent			
	Ability to exercise authority and exert control over the management or operation of the property or improvements, separate and apart from the policies, statutes, ordinances, rules, and regulations of the public owner of the property or improvements.	3. Exclusive			
58.	A possessory interest located within an area in which the United States has exclusive jurisdiction (federal enclaves) is excluded from the meaning of "taxable possessory interest" and is immune from taxation.				
	True				
	☐ False				
59.	Mineral rights held as possessory interests are not taxable real prop	perty.			
	True				
	☐ False				
60.	Standing timber is now generally exempt from an ad valorem property tax.				
	True				
	False				
61.	In most cases, water rights are separately assessed.				
	True				
	☐ False				

62.	What types of water rights are recognized under California law?
	Riparian, overlying
	Appropriative
	Pueblo rights
	All of the above
63.	A transferable development right is a development right that is
64.	The Legislature has the power to exempt personal property from taxation or to allow differential taxation of personal property.
	True
	False
65.	All property that may be seen, weighed, measured, felt or touched, or which is in any other manner perceptible to the senses—except land and improvements—is defines as:
	Tangible personal property
	Intangible personal property
66.	All tangible personal property is taxable.
	True
	☐ False
67.	Give three examples of intangible assets and rights that are exempt from taxation.
	1
68.	Generally, intangible assets and rights are, and the value of intangible assets and rights shall not enhance or be reflected in the value of .

69.	Taxable property may be and by assuming the
	presence of intangible assets or rights necessary to put the taxable property to
	or use.
70.	Section 201.5 provides that a possessory interest in property acquired by or for the California Pollution Control Financing Authority shall be subject to taxation. Of the following, which properties could be subject to taxation?
	Real property only
	Real and personal property
	Personal property only
	Neither real nor personal property
71.	Sections 3 and 5 of article XIII of the California Constitution list the exemptions from real property taxation. How many property exemptions are listed in the Revenue and Taxation Code?
	More than 50 property tax exemptions, 30 of which require claims to be filed and the others require notification to the assessor.
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	More than 50 property tax exemptions, 20 of which require claims to be filed and the others require notification to the assessor.
72.	The United States Constitution restricts the power of a state to tax federal property. These restrictions are treated as immunities from taxation.
	As a general rule, when property is owned by an that is under the of the, the property is from property taxation for the duration of time it is under the government's jurisdiction.
73.	Ownership may take many forms and may be divided and shared under a number of possible arrangements. The constituting the full bundle of rights can be or in

	The surface area	
	The above-surface space	
	The sub-surface space	
5.	Ownership or beneficial interests in land are referred to as estates three major categories for these estates?	in land. What are the
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•	A freehold estate is the highest order of all estates in that it represe ownership interest in real property. What must freehold estates poss	ents a full and present
	1	
	The fee simple estates are the most complete form of ownership allo subject only to limitations imposed by government. List the four p to which the fee simple estates are subject.	
	1	
	2	
	Match the following by definitions.	
	It applies only when property is unclaimed after a reasonable period of time.	1. Police power
	It serves the interests of public health, safety, morals and/or general public welfare in the development and utilization of real estate.	2.Eminent domain
	It is the right to acquire private property for such public purposes as public buildings, parks, streets, and other public uses.	3. Escheat

Give examples for each of the three spatial levels of the real estate.

	grantee for the grantee's lifetime. When the grantee's life expires, t passes to which of the following persons?	he fee simple interest
	☐ Heir	
	Remainderman	
	☐ Income beneficiary	
	Any other person	
80.	The grantor of a leasehold estate is known as:	
	Lessee	
	Lessor	
81.	Other property interests involve lesser interests than either freehold estates. Match the following by definition:	estates or possessory
	It is the right held by a creditor to secure payment of a debt from the debtor's property.	1. Licenses
	It is the right of use over the real property of another.	2. Profits
	It is the revocable right to use the land of another for a specific purpose.	3. Easements
	It is an interest in real property that permits the holder to remove something from the land, such as soil, minerals, or oil and gas.	4. CC&Rs
	Are contractual promises made by property owners to restrict the use of property in some way.	5. Liens
82.	The property tax appraiser, with few exceptions, must estimate the the unrestricted fee simple estate, unencumbered by liens or leases, and best use of the property.	
	True	
	☐ False	

In a life estate, generally, the grantor conveys a qualified fee simple interest to the

In w	hich of the following forms of ownership is there a right of survivorship?
	Single ownership
	Tenants in common
	Joint tenancy
	Community property
own	creation or transfer of a joint tenancy or tenancy in common may involve a changership for property tax purposes, requiring the reassessment of the fractional interferred.
	True
	False
Whi	ch of the following are examples of forms of concurrent ownership?
	General partnership
	Condominium
	Corporation
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What are the four primary ways that an ownership in real estate can be held?

## Chapter 4

A market is defined as
and in <i>The Appraisal of Real Estate</i> , the real estate market is defined as
What are the ways that the real estate markets may be classified? Give examples for each category.
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2
3
The basic function of any market is to
The real estate market performs functions similar to those performed in other competitive markets. What are these functions?
1. 2. 3.
4
How is a price established in a competitive market?

briefly describe them:		
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3.		
4		
The real estate market departs significantly from the idlargely due to the characteristics of real estate. Wheregarding the real estate market?		
There is a long lead time for planning and building	ng new property	improvements.
The large financing requirement for most real demand and supply are significantly affected by containing the significant of the		
The product is not differentiated.		
Buyers and sellers often have unequal information	n.	
Real estate markets are subject to broad forces that dynamic interaction of these forces creates trends in following forces by their examples.		
Zoning and building codes, development reg environmental regulation, police, fire and health pretc.	•	. Physical Forces
Topography, soil, climate, infrastructure, scenic be view, size and shape of a parcel, etc.	auty or 2	2. Demographic Forces
Population trends, household characteristics, charalifestyles and living standards, neighborhood characteristics.	0	B. Economic Forces
Trends in employment and income, availability of fin level of interest rates, rental and price patterns of exproperties.	-	Forces

List the characteristics that distinguish the real estate from other economic goods and

96.		determinants of demand and supply are those variables or factors within a defined estate market or submarket that cause demand and supply to shift and lead to price ges.
		True
		False
97.	Whi	ch of the following is not a determinant of demand?
		Availability of financing
		Population
		Advances in technological know-how
		Income
98.	Whi	ch of the following is a determinant of supply?
		Expectations regarding future demand
		Advances in technological know-how
		Costs of production inputs
		All of the above
99.	Of th	ne following, which is a significant determinant of supply as well as of demand?
		Expectations regarding future demand
		Income
		Cost and availability of financing
		All of the above
100.	Real	estate is productive and provides utility in two major ways. Which are they?
	1	

101.	The physical aspect of real estate productivity concerns:
	1
	2
102.	Of the following, which is not considered a surface characteristic?
	Shape
	☐ Fertility
	☐ Topography
	☐ Drainage capacity
103.	Steep terrain is more suitable for which of the following developments?
	Commercial development
	Residential development
	Agricultural development
	None of the above
104.	To a great extent, land is a manufactured product. When is combined with the other of production, a product of greater utility and value than land, is created.
105.	What are the two categories that the man-made characteristics of real estate fall into?
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106.	Which of the following are often termed "infrastructure"?
	Off-site improvements
	On-site improvements

107.	Off-site improvements can be constructed privately or by government, but in either case the costs must be paid by the property owner/buyer in some manner, either in sales prices, bond obligations, property taxes, or some combination of these.
	☐ True
	☐ False
108.	Of the following, which is the most important on-site improvement?
	Landscaping
	Driveways
	Grading and drainage work
	Primary structure
109.	List the three categories that the value-generating characteristics of a building are grouped into and briefly describe each of them.
	1
	2
	3
110.	The essence of location derives from one of the elemental physical facts of life, the reality of space.
	☐ True
	False
111.	Some factors, which economists refer to as <i>costs of friction</i> or <i>transfer costs</i> , greatly influence the land use of any given parcel. Give examples of such costs:
112.	Recurring interactions between different land uses at different geographic points are referred to as

113.	Each land use has its own linkage requirements.
	True
	☐ False
114.	The value of property results from the use to which it is put and varies with the profitableness of that use, present and prospective, actual and anticipated.
	True
	☐ False
115.	It is possible for lands that are contiguous to have substantially different uses and consequently different values.
	True
	False
116.	In <i>The Appraisal of Real Estate</i> , highest and best use is defined as
117.	A property should not be appraised on the basis of a use that is illegal.
	☐ True
	☐ False
118.	Which are the four criteria that the use must meet in order to qualify as a property's highest and best use?
	1
	2
	4

by	d restrictions are rights reserved by private persons as opposed to limitations impogovernment. In most cases, the property tax appraiser should recognize dictions when analyzing highest and best use.
	True
	False
their	eneral, private parties cannot reduce the taxable value of their property by impos own restrictions upon it. There are some exceptions to this rule. Briefly describe e exceptions.
The use.	highest and best use must be physically possible, probable, and the most produc
	True
	False
	False nest and best use should be based either on existing land ownership or on an exist
	False  nest and best use should be based either on existing land ownership or on an exist combines parcels under separate ownership.

125.	is the process of combining two or more sites under a single ownership in order to develop one site that has greater utility and value than the two parcels considered as separate entities. The incremental addition to value is known as
126.	What are the two distinct concepts in highest and best use analysis?
	1
127.	What are the questions that should be answered in the analysis of highest and best use of a vacant property?
	1
	4
128.	What are the questions that should be answered in the analysis of highest and best use of a property as improved?
	1
129.	Highest and best use is not necessarily just one specific use. It is possible that several uses will prove equally profitable.
	True
	☐ False
130.	The use to which a parcel is put before its transition to a future highest and best use is known as an or use.
131.	Interim uses appear in transitional areas where older uses are yielding to new ones. Give an example of an interim use.

132.	The total market value of a property in transition is based on bossucceeding use. How is the total value of transitional property calculate	
133.	An interim use contributes to current property value if the gross incomuse is less then operating expenses related to the use.	e derived from the
	True	
	False	
134.	For some improved properties, the highest and best use of the land as the have changed from one use to another. This refers to which of the following the same of the land as the same of the same of the land as the same of the land as	•
	☐ Interim or transitional uses	
	More than highest and best use	
	Consistent use	
	Excess and surplus land	
135.	Match the following by definition.	
	Land that does not economically support the existing improvement but cannot be utilized to expand the current use or be sold separately.	1. Excess land
	Land that allows for the expansion of the existing use or is separately marketable and hence possesses significant utility and value; it should be clearly identified and appraise separately.	2. Surplus land

136.	Of the following, which is a principle of real estate productivity?
	Anticipation
	Substitution
	Conformity
	All of the above
137.	The principle of anticipation holds that an estimate of value should always be base primarily on future expectations rather than historical performance.
	True
	False
138.	Match the following by definition.
	The value of a property component is measured in terms of its contribution to the value of the entire property, that is, how much it contributes to the total value by its presence or detracts by its absence.  1. Surplus productivity
	The net income that remains after costs of the other factors of production (labor, entrepreneurship, and capital) have been satisfied.
	The value of property is created and sustained when contrasting, opposing, or interacting elements are in a state of equilibrium.  3. Contribution of equilibrium.
139.	There are four factors that affect the productivity of the real estate asset. What are they?
	1
	3

140.	"The act of visualizing need and taking the necessary action and risk to produce products that fulfill such needs" is the definition for which of the following factors?				
	Labor				
	☐ Capital				
	Land				
	Entrepreneurship				
141.	Briefly describe the principle of increasing and decreasing returns.				
142.	The principle of consistent use states that a property should be valued on the basis of a single use for the entire property.				
	☐ True				
	☐ False				

143.	Match the following principals of real estate marketability by their definition.			
	States upper limit of value tends to be set by the cost of acquiring an equally desirable substitute.	1.	Supply and demand and competition	
	Holds that maximum value accrues to a property when a reasonable degree of homogeneity is present in the neighborhood or surrounding land uses.	2.	Change	
	Maintains that between dissimilar properties, the value of the superior property is adversely affected by the presence of the inferior.	3.	Regression and progression	
	Recognizes the dynamic nature of real estate markets.	4.	Substitution	
	States that activities or land uses external to a given property, and over which its ownership has very limited or no control or responsibility, can have negative or positive effect on the property's value.	5.	Externalities	
	States that in a free-market economy, price is determined by the competitive interaction between market demand and supply	6.	Conformity	